



ADOPTING A FEMA ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (REC) FOR GLO APPROVED PROJECTS

Is the REC considered for adoption a FEMA Hurricane Harvey Review?

- ▶ If yes, the **Subrecipient (RE)** will access the **FEMA Grants-Portal** to obtain a copy of the full REC <https://grantee.fema.gov/> for their review.
 - **Need help with the FEMA portal? Refer to the attached supplementary FEMA Factsheet.**

Is the REC considered for adoption a FEMA review that occurred prior to Hurricane Harvey?

- ▶ If yes, the **RE** will email all the information they have on their FEMA review, including the **FEMA contract number**, as well as their **GLO project number** to GLO Environmental for Technical Assistance:
 - To: env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov
 - Subject: Technical Assistance Request; Adoption of FEMA Review
 - Once GLO receives the REC we will send it to the RE and cc the GLO GM

I have my FEMA Review, What Next?

- ▶ Compare the GLO approved project description, scope of work, and footprint/area of impact against the project description, scope of work and footprint/area of impact that was cleared in the original FEMA REC. Ensure the proposed project footprint/area of impact and activities are environmentally cleared in the FEMA REC. Please note that any new project activities, areas of impact/project footprint not covered in the FEMA REC will require a new ERR.
 - If the RE determines that the FEMA Environmental can be adopted, a review request should be submitted to GLO Environmental via email:
 - To: env.reviews@recovery.texas.gov
 - Subject: Review Request; Adoption of FEMA Review, Subrecipient, Activity
- ▶ The email/memo should contain the following information:
 - The proposed CDBG-DR project description, scope of work, location, project footprint/area of impact, funding information and GLO contract number.
 - Summary of the FEMA scope of work, project footprint/area of impact to verify if it's the same as the proposed CDBG-DR portion, and all required FEMA mitigation measures/special conditions.
 - FEMA Firmette map overlain with the proposed CDBG-DR funded project footprint/areas of impact.
 - A complete copy of the FEMA REC

Important components of the FEMA reviews:

- ▶ Is the project area in a floodway or Coastal High Hazard Area?
 - Certain CDBG-DR activities are not allowed in these areas even though FEMA regulations may allow it and cannot be adopted unless an exception ([55.12\(c\)](#)) applies or it is a functionally dependent use, or it is a floodplain function restoration activity.
- ▶ CDBG-DR Federal Register Appropriations:
 - 2015 Floods [81 FR 39687](#), 2016 Floods [81 FR 83254](#), and Harvey [83 FR 5844](#)

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